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Rate	Additional Fee
X9	\$18.00
X40	\$80.00
+135	\$
Total Add. Fee	\$

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Rate	Additional Fee
X18	\$1,692.
X80	\$1,200.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter this Preliminary Amendment and consider the following remarks, prior to the examination of the above referenced patent application.

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